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COURTHOUSE WILL BE MODERN

Building to be Two Story Brick
and Up-to-Date in
every Respect

In another column appears the county clerk's official call for bids for the construction of the Torrance County Courthouse at Estancia, the county seat. Plans and specifications are on file at the clerk's office and are indeed complete, representing a modern structure, well suited to the needs of the young, but hustling and growing county. The plans call for a building about forty by sixty feet, two story and basement sufficient for heating plant. The structure is to be built of Santa Fe brick, with cement trimmings. On the first floor will be rooms for the County Commissioners, County Clerk, Assessor, Treasurer, corridor and two vaults, 7x9 and 10x12 feet respectively. On the second floor will be a Court Room 38x40 feet and two jury rooms each 14x15 feet.

Bids must be accompanied by a certified check, equal in amount to 4 per cent. of the bid, to show good faith on the part of the bidder. The successful bidder will be required to give a bond equal in amount to 60 per cent. of the contract price. The work will be under the supervision of the architects, Rapp & Rapp, which in itself is sufficient evidence that only the best of material and labor will enter the structure.

King-McGabe.

On Wednesday morning, Elder J. F. Tuttle of the Church of Christ, united in marriage Miss Lillie King and Frank G. McCabe, both of Moriarty, the ceremony being performed in the parlors of the Valley Hotel. Mr. and Mrs. McCabe are well known in the northern part of the valley and have many friends who will wish them continued success through life.

Entertainment.

Instead of Nov. 9th as formerly announced the Oratorical Contest will be held on Tuesday evening, Nov. 2nd.

This contest consisting of recitations by eight girls, will be enlightening as well as entertaining.

Come, help in the cause. Those over twelve years of age will be charged 15c admission.

Committee.

Death of Infant.

At three o'clock Wednesday morning the fourteen months old child of Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Hoover, residing in Alta Vista, was relieved by death from a continued and complicated illness. Both physicians and friends had done all possible but to no avail to relieve the little sufferer. Interment was in the Estancia cemetery.

Grandpa Maxwell Dead.

On last Saturday William Maxwell died at the home of his son, R. N. Maxwell north of town, at the advanced age of 78 years. Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon, after which the remains were interred in the Estancia Cemetery. Mr. Maxwell was one of the older settlers in the valley, and his death is mourned by a large number of friends.

Cutting Scrap

On Monday of this week, the case of the Territory vs. Humbert came on for preliminary hearing before Justice Wasson, in which Geo. A. Humbert is accused of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to murder, the alleged assault having been upon the person of J. P. Dunlavy. The case was called on Monday afternoon, F. F. Jennings representing the defendant, and C. R. Easley the prosecution. After taking the testimony of Mr. Dunlavy and cross examination, a message was received from District Attorney Abbott of Santa Fe that he would be down on the evening train to represent the Territory, whereupon an adjournment was taken until six o'clock. On account of the illness of the wife of the Justice, a continuance was taken until 8:30 Tuesday morning. At the opening of court Tuesday morning, counsel for the defense, asked permission of the court to discontinue the hearing, practically waiving preliminary examination, asking the court to fix the amount of bail for his client to appear before the Grand Jury. Bail was fixed in the sum of \$750.

It appears that the trouble arose over the water proposition at Mountainair. Some years ago, the Abo Land Company, owners of the townsite of Mountainair, had a well drilled on the townsite, something over three hundred feet deep, S. H. Pickens, now of this place doing the work. Upon the coming of the Santa Fe Railroad, arrangements were made with the Abo Land Company for the use of part of the water from the well, the townsite company reserving a portion thereof for the use of its patrons—those who purchased lots and made homes on the townsite. For a time the water was being used by anybody in that part of the country, free of any expense. The land company decided that they could not afford to furnish all with free water, and through Mr. Dunlavy as president, posted a notice on the well, to the effect that the water was "free for stock and domestic purposes to all persons holding title from the Abo Land Company on the townsite of Mountainair. *** All others desiring water see Manager of the Abo Land Company at store of W. M. McCoy & Co." Notices stating the price to be charged for water as twenty cents per barrel or six barrels for one dollar, were also mailed to a number of persons residing on the townsite of Mountainair, holding adverse possession thereto, who had been in the habit of securing their water at this well.

On the first of October Mr. Dunlavy and Mr. Humbert met at the well, the latter having received one of the notices. He asked Mr. Dunlavy to read the notice to him, claiming he could not. As soon as the reading was finished, Humbert proposed paying Dunlavy at once, and struck him with a blacksnake whip. Dunlavy defended himself with his fists, and apparently was getting the better of the fray, when Humbert drew a knife and cut Dunlavy in the left side, the knife cutting through vest, trousers, shirt, drawers and undershirt, making an ugly wound in the flesh. Dunlavy started at once for Dr. Black's office for treatment.

This is the gist of Mr. Dunlavy's testimony. Just what evidence the defence would have presented, had the hearing con-

WANT LABORERS FOR ROADWORK

Both Territory and Private Concern in Need of Men and Teams

C. A. Neel, of the Department of Territorial Engineers of Santa Fe, was in Estancia Wednesday of this week, consulting with our people who need work during the winter months. Mr. Neel reports that the work on the territorial road from Santa Fe to Albuquerque, will begin shortly, and he has been through the valley under the directions of Governor Curry, offering the work to our farmers, who need the same.

Work will be commenced at the station of Domingo on the Santa Fe Railroad, a short distance west of Kennedy, the work being pushed both toward the north and south. Twenty men and teams and twenty laborers will be needed to commence work on November 10th. Wages will be \$1.25 for laborers and \$3.00 for men and teams. Provisions will be provided at wholesale prices. A few of these are: Alfalfa, \$12.00 per ton; Vega hay, \$11.50 per ton; Flour, \$3.17 per 100 pounds. No commissary will be run by the territory, but arrangements have been made by the territory with a local store at Domingo to secure the supplies at these rates. Supplies as needed will be delivered at the camp at these rates.

Mr. Neel also said that the parties putting in the Arroyo Hondo Dam, about sixteen miles south of Santa Fe, are in need of helpers. These parties are paying their laborers \$1.50 per day. Men with teams, \$4.00 per day and saw and hammer men, \$2.50 per day. Board is furnished by the company at \$4.00 per week. This work is now under way and applicants can secure work at once. For further information in regard to this work, address Sten Lund, Engineer, Santa Fe, N. M. In regard to the territorial work, address C. H. Neel, Department Territorial Engineer, Santa Fe, N. M.

Obituary.

Mrs. Fanchon Johnson Stratford died in Estancia last Saturday evening of tuberculosis, aged 20 years, 3 months and 6 days, having been born at Clyde, Kansas, July 16, 1889. For several years her home had been at Ponca City, Oklahoma. At this place she married Ward Stratford. Her health failing, about a year ago, Mr. and Mrs. Stratford, accompanied by her sister and brother came to Estancia, later spending several weeks in California, but to no avail. After her return a few weeks ago, her decline was rapid.

Mrs. Stratford was a noble, christian woman, and leaves a large circle of friends. She was a member of the Estancia Presbyterian church, and acted as assistant organist, being an accomplished musician. The pastor, Rev. J. R. Carver, conducted the funeral services Sunday morning, which were attended by a large number of friends. Her remains, accompanied by the husband, brother and sister were taken to Ponca City, Oklahoma, for interment.

J. R. Carver, Pastor.

continued, is of course not known. The case will come before the grand jury in December.

District Court, December 13.

The District Court in and for the county of Torrance will sit at Estancia, the county seat on Monday, December 13, 1909, Judge John R. McFie, presiding. There are a number of cases on the docket, and it is not supposed that all can be heard at this term.

The jury commission recently named by the court, has selected the jury list, from which the court, in the presence of not less than three citizens of Torrance county, will draw the venires for Grand and Petit Jurors at Santa Fe, on November 4, 1909.

Who Can Beat Them?

H. F. Matthews, who lives about twelve miles northwest of Estancia, brought in some fine potatoes this week. Some of them weigh four pounds each.

They were grown without irrigation except that which fell from the heavens. Samples may be seen at the bank.

Lucia News.

The Lucia School opened Monday morning with an enrollment of twenty-two. "Well, aint that goin' some."

Mrs. B.T. Brown, Mrs. Newt Brown, George Hudson, Mrs. Henry Hale and Mrs. Otero visited the Lucia School Monday.

Mrs. Wells is on the sick list this week.

Will Spillers and family left Monday morning for Kentucky, where they expect to reside.

D. F. Heal is having his sheep "baptized" in the dip tub this week.

Mrs. M. E. Schooler is having her residence re-modeled.

Earl Scott of the New Mexico Salt Company loaded a car of salt at Lucia Monday.

Having brought the Taft-Diaz meeting and the International celebration to a successful termination, El Paso has taken a hitch in its belt and started in to put the finishing touches to the preparations for the El Paso fair and Exposition which is to be held November first to seventh.

As important to the agricultural mining and industrial resources of the southwest as the Taft-Diaz meeting was to the diplomatic relations of the United and Mexico, the El Paso fair is to be an exhibition of the natural and acquired resources of the section West of the Pecos known as the Great Southwest. Displays of every variety of products of that section will be on display at the Fair, and the several acres of ground will be covered by these exhibits. In addition to display of natural resources, the El Paso Fair offers the rancher, mining man and cattle raiser an unequalled opportunity to view and inspect the latest improvements in machinery and live stock breeding. The display of mining and agricultural machinery at the Fair will be from all parts of the country, while the live stock exhibit will include cattle, sheep, swine and horses of all breeds.

Special rates on railroads have been secured by the Fair Association and a one-fare rate for the round trip is now being advertised by the roads running into El Paso.

CHILDREN MUST BE VAGGINATED

County Superintendent Calls Attention of Patrons to the Law

This office is in receipt of a Circular letter from Territorial Superintendent Clark calling our attention to the law concerning the vaccination of children in attendance in the public schools of the Territory.

Chapter 103 laws of 1907 and Chapter 17 of the laws of 1901, "provides that all children of school age in each county of the Territory shall be vaccinated against small pox."

Following is the substance of Mr. Clark's letter to county superintendents, which in the main quotes from the laws governing vaccination.

"Each teacher of the public school shall deny admittance to the school of all children not so vaccinated, each child shall have a statement from some reputable physician licensed to practice in the Territory certifying that the child has been properly protected from small pox by vaccination. The certificate must state specifically that the child has been effectively vaccinated within the last five years previous to the date of entering school—or, that child has been vaccinated either with or without pronounced effect, within a period of twelve months previous to entering school.

"It is the duty of the teacher to make a report to the County Superintendent at the beginning of the year giving the number of children who have been vaccinated within the past year and the number of children presenting certificates showing successful vaccination within a period of five years. This list is to be accompanied with a list of parents or guardians who refuse or fail to have their children vaccinated.

"The fine imposed, upon conviction, for non-compliance with this law is not less than \$25 nor more than \$100, or imprisonment as provided by law.

Vaccination may be performed by any physician or by the county health officer. The expense of vaccination for indigent children is met as provided in Sec. 30 Chap. 103, laws of 1905.

"We, as school teachers and superintendents should be the ones to be on the alert for anything tending to build up the health of the community and it is to us that is imposed the duty of urging that this particular part of the law be complied with. The directors of the several districts are supposed to co-operate with teachers and superintendents in enforcing the law. I am of the opinion that we will have no trouble along this line if we use a little tact in presenting the necessity of vaccination upon the people of our respective districts. We do not want to take anything to court.

Very Respectfully Yours,
Chas. L. Burt,
Supt. of Schools.
Mountainair, N. M., Oct. 18, '09.

Gurry Has Resigned.

Again it is announced that Governor Curry has resigned the resignation to take effect during the spring, sometime in March probably. The Governor gives as his reason for the step that he desires his time free to take care of private business. The choice of a successor will not be taken up by Washington officials for some time.

Open Season for Game and Fish.

Deer with horns—With gun only; October 15th to November 15th of each year. Limit, one deer to each person.

Wild Turkey—With gun only; Nov. 1st to Dec. 31st of each year. Limit, four in possession at one time.

Grouse—With gun only; Oct. 1st to Dec. 31st of each year. Limit, thirty in possession at one time.

Native or Crested Quail—With gun only; Oct. 1st to Dec. 31st of each year. Limit, thirty in possession at one time.

Doves—With gun only; Aug. 1st to Oct. 31st of each year. Limit, thirty in possession at one time.

Snipe, Curlew and Plover—With gun only; Sep. 15th to March 1st of each year. Limit, thirty in possession at one time.

Ducks, limited to thirty in possession at one time. No closed season.

Trout (all species)—With rod, hook and line only; May 15th to Oct. 15th of each year. Size limit, not less than six inches in length. Weight limit, 15 pounds in any one calendar day, 25 pounds in possession at one time.

Bass (large and small mouth)—With rod, hook and line only. Size limit, not less than seven inches in length. Weight limit, 15 pounds in any calendar day, 25 pounds in possession at one time.

CLOSED SEASONS.

Elk, Mountain Sheep, Beaver and Ptarmigan (or White Grouse) killing, capturing or injuring prohibited at all times.

Antelope, Bob-white Quails, Pheasant and Wild Pigeons, killing, capturing or injuring prohibited until March 15, 1914.

Prairie Chicken, killing, capturing or injuring prohibited until January 1, 1915.

HUNTING LICENSE FEES.

Big game, meaning deer and turkey, resident, \$1.00.

Bird license, resident, \$1.00.

General license, covering big game and bird, resident, \$1.50.

Big game license, non-resident, \$25.00.

Bird license, resident alien, \$5.00.

Bird license, non-resident, \$5.00.

Big game license, resident, alien, \$5.00.

Bird license, non-resident, alien, \$10.00.

Transportation permit, live game, \$1.00.

Permit to transport out of the Territory, each deer, \$2.00.

Permit to ship out of the territory, each lot of fish, \$1.00.

Duplicate license, certificate or permit, \$1.00.

All non-residents over the age of twelve years will be required to pay a fishing license of \$1.00.

(Pueblo and reservation Indians of this Territory shall be considered residents for the purpose of this act.)

Flouring Mill Ready for Work.

The McIntosh Mill & Elevator Company has been hustling things in order to get all the machinery in order for steady work. A trial run was to have been made yesterday. It is hoped that everything will be in readiness by Monday of next week to start the machinery and keep it going.

Wheat has been a good price in the valley this year and all who raised any profited by it. A much larger acreage of fall wheat has been sown, and no doubt the same will be true of spring wheat the coming season.